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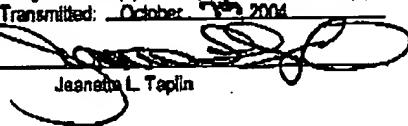
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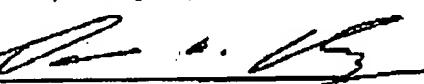
Sir:

Applicant(s) hereby request an extension of time to respond to the Office Action dated April 21, 2004 (and the Advisory Action mailed September 16, 2004). This three (3) month extension will extend the due date from July 21, 2004 to October 21, 2004. An appropriate response in the form of a Request for Continued Examination is enclosed herewith.

Please charge the extension fee of \$980 to our Deposit Account No. 19-2179. Please also charge this deposit account for any additional fees required, or credit any overpayment, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.25.

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